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Thanks very much for the invitation. Unfortunately, I have another commitment at that time, so won't be able to attend.

Best,

Richard

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>>> "Paananen, Ron" <PaananR@wsdot.wa.gov> 5/7/2009 3:22 PM >>>  
Dear Seattle City Councilmember Conlin:

On behalf of Governor Chris Gregoire and WSDOT, I would like to invite you to attend the bored tunnel bill signing ceremony, which will be held next Tuesday, May 12 at 2:00 p.m. at the Seattle Aquarium (Pier 59 on the Seattle waterfront). The ceremony will take place in The Great Hall.

A reception will immediately follow the signing ceremony on the mezzanine level. If you are interested in attending, please contact Charles Knutson at the Greater Seattle Chamber of Commerce. Charles can be reached by phone at 206-389-7295 or by email at [CharlesK@seattlechamber.com](mailto:CharlesK@seattlechamber.com)  
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Reaching agreement on how to replace the Alaskan Way Viaduct and Seawall is a remarkable achievement. We appreciate the leadership provided by you and the other city council members on this important project.

Thank you and I hope you can join us next Tuesday.

Ron Paananen

Urban Corridors Deputy Administrator

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